

SALUBRE CONSILIUM

For this collocation the *Thesaurus Linguae Latinae* (s. v. *consilium*, col. 455, 22 ff.) furnishes the following citations : Val. Max. 4. 1. 11, 6. 5 ext. 2, 7. 2. ext. 11, 7. 3. 10 ; Curt. 3. 4. 3, 3. 7. 10, 5. 12. 8, 7. 8. 24 ; Aur. Fronto, p. 60. 16 N. ; Apul. met. 10. 7 ; Ambr. in ps. 118 both 1. These examples are sufficient to show that the phrase was used as a cliché, like the English « sound advice », but the earliest example seems to have been overlooked : *salubre consilium* is Ciceronian and occurs first ad Att. 8. 12. 5. Nor should Tac. Agric. 21 *sequens hiems saluberrimis consiliis absumpta* have been omitted. From my marginalia to the *Thesaurus* I take the following addenda :

Cyprian, ep. 4. 5. 1 : *consiliis salubribus fraternitatem regas* ; edict. Licin. ap. Lact. mort. pers. 48 : *hoc consilio [consilium Brandt] salubri ac rectissima ratione ineundum est* ; Aug. ep. 21, 6 : *me saluberrimis consiliis... reddet instructum* ; ps.-Aug. serm. 282. 3 : *salubre consilium dantes*, ib. 285. 3 : *vestro sancto et salubri consilio ut vos imitari debeant provocetis*, ib. 294. 6 : *libenter salubre consilium audientes* ; ps.-Aug. salut. docum. 53 : *salubre dat consilium* ; Vita Ansberti 12 (Anal. Boll. 1. 184) : *salvationis suae expetentes salubre consilium* ; Vita Audomari I. 4 (AASS. Sept. III) : *salubre atque perfectum consilium* ; Act. al. Sabinian. I. 8 (AASS. Jan. II) : *accipe salubre consilium* ; Vita I. Praeject. 1. 3 (AASS. Jan. III) : *consilium praebere salubre* ; Greg. Magn. ep. II (p. 161. q) : *ad salubre consilium valeant applicare* ; ep. Episc. Afr. ad Theod. pap. (Mansi 10. 922 C) *salubri consilio pertractabit a sano corpore separare vulnus* ; Conc. Sarag. 3, cap. 5 (Mansi 12. 46 A : *constitutiones... a nobis salubri consilio definitae* ; Porcarii monita, 22 (Rev. Bénéd., 26, p. 478) *salubriori consilio sine peccato prudentius agas*.

The variant *salutare consilium* is also Ciceronian (see Thes., *loc. cit.*) but it occurs much less frequently. My only addenda are Act. alt. XII frat., 3 (AASS. Sept. I. 139 C) : *paganis salutaria consilia*

ministrarent, and Braulio, ep. 26 (PL. 80. 674 D) : *salutari consilio instruere*. *Salutare monitum* is found in Vit. Sulp. Pii (PL. 80. 582 B) : *ereptas oves pastor salutaribus instruit monitis* ; Conc. Tol. 16, can. 12 (Labbé 12. 81 B) : *eorum salutaribus monitis nequaquam maluit... dependere obsequelam*, and Liber Pontif. 93 Zacharias, 15 (p. 430. 20 Duchesne) : *salutaribus monitis eum adlocutus est*.

Salubre praeceptum is also frequent and is especially so in St. Augustine. It is found several times in Cyprian (hon. pat. 13, op. et elem. 20, ep. 65. 2, *al.*) ; Lactantius has it in inst. 4. 26. 25 ; in mot. 5. 8. 9 he has *praeceptorum salubritas* ; in Augustine it occurs in ep. 22. 8. 29, 130. 2, 245. 4, in Ioan. ev. 119. 2, serm. 32. 5, 72. 1, 317. 1 ; Victricius of Rouen has it in laud. sanct. 1, and Ps. Cyprian, de centes. 1. 80 (*Zeitschr. f. NT. Wissenschaft*, 15, p. 77) has *praecepta salutaria cordi nostro ac pectori inseramus*. The collocation *saluberrima monita* is found in the Passio Vict., Alex., Felic. 9 (Ruinart, 1859, p. 337), while a letter from Lullus (MGH. Epist. III p. 384) has the phrase : *divine pietatis ammonitione... salubri tactus*.

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